

[CHAPTER 667.]

AN ACT

June 19, 1934.
[H. R. 8700.]
[Public, No. 431.]
Canal Zone, Code of
Laws.

To establish a Code of Laws for the Canal Zone, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the seven titles hereinafter set forth shall constitute the Code of Laws for the Canal Zone and shall, for all purposes, establish conclusively, and be deemed to embrace, all the permanent laws relating to or applying in the Canal Zone in force on the date of enactment of this Act, except such general laws of the United States as relate to or apply in the Canal Zone. Such code shall be designated as the "Canal Zone Code" and shall take effect on the expiration of ninety days after the date of enactment of this Act. Copies of such code printed at the Government Printing Office and bearing its imprint shall be conclusive evidence of the original of such code.

SEC. 2. The said Canal Zone Code shall not be published in the Session Laws or Statutes at Large, and there shall be printed and bound, as may be directed by the Joint Committee on Printing, such number of copies thereof as may be required for official use and distribution, including an index and any other explanatory matter the committee may deem necessary.

Approved, June 19, 1934.

[The Code of Laws for the Canal Zone is printed in a separate volume entitled, "Canal Zone Code, 1934."]

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AN ACT

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To establish a National Archives of the United States Government, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby created the Office of Archivist of the United States, the Archivist to be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

SEC. 2. The salary of the Archivist shall be \$10,000 annually. All persons to be employed in the National Archives Establishment shall be appointed by the Archivist solely with reference to their fitness for their particular duties and without regard to civil-service law; and the Archivist shall make rules and regulations for the government of the National Archives; but any official or employee with salary of \$5,000 or over shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

SEC. 3. All archives or records belonging to the Government of the United States (legislative, executive, judicial, and other) shall be under the charge and superintendence of the Archivist to this extent: He shall have full power to inspect personally or by deputy the records of any agency of the United States Government whatsoever and wheresoever located, and shall have the full cooperation of any and all persons in charge of such records in such inspections, and to requisition for transfer to the National Archives Establishment such archives, or records as the National Archives Council, hereafter provided shall approve for such transfer, and he shall have authority to make regulations for the arrangement, custody, use, and withdrawal of material deposited in the National Archives Building: *Provided,* That any head of an executive department, independent office, or other agency of the Government may, for limited periods, not exceeding in duration his tenure of that office, exempt from examination and consultation by officials, private individuals, or any other persons such confidential matter transferred from his department or office, as he may deem wise.